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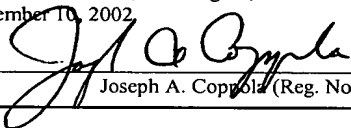
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated May 24, 2002, Applicants respectfully request entry of the present Amendment intended to put the claims in form for allowance and/or to simplify the issues for appeal.

Enclosed is a Petition for the Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a period sufficient to permit the filing of this response.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 3 and 19 without prejudice.

Please add the following new claim:

--72. (new) The method of claim 62 wherein said natural insult is a consequence of aging, genetic background, physiological factors, environmental factors, or a combination thereof.--